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THIS MADNESS UNLEASHED!

THINK OF YOUR MOST GUT-WRENCHING NIGHTMARE!
ADD UNENDING HORROR, A THOUSAND TIMES WORSE!
YOU'LL HAVE THE ISLE OF THE MONSTROUS MUTROIDS!
THE FORBIDDEN OBSCENITY MEN CALL--
HELLROCK!
LISTEN UP! I AM STORMER! THERE AIN'T A 'TROID ALIVE THAT I CAN'T BEAT!
I'M SICK OF WAITING FOR DETHSTRYK! I SAY WE ATTACK THE NORMALS NOW!
DEATH TO HUMA
MAKE ME YOUR LEADER--
--AND WE'LL TURN THIS WHOLE PLANET INTO ONE BIG HELLROCK!

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YOU CAN'T LEAD US! DETHSTRYK IS OUR LEADER!
DETHSTRYK HIDES IN HIS CASTLE WHEN HE SHOULD BE FEEDING THESE STUPID NORMALS A TASTE OF THEIR OWN POISON!
DETH-STRYK IS WEAK-- AND AFRAID!
STORMER-- NO!
I WAS ONLY TRYING TO--
NO ONE CHALLENGES STORMER!
NO ONE IS STRONG AS STORMER!
NO ONE!
YOU LIE! DETHSTRYK FEARS NOTH-ING!
HIS FIRST BLOW KILLED HIM!
BUT HE KEEPS STRIKING!
I HAVE SEEN ENOUGH, SEERESS!

WHO ELSE SPEAKS FOR THAT ARMOR-PLATED PHONY DETHSTRYK?
WHO ELSE SAYS I CAN'T LEAD?
I DO.
IS THIS WITLESS TEMPER TANTRUM SUPPOSED TO BE A DISPLAY OF YOUR LEADERSHIP QUALITIES?
DETH-STRYK!
YOU SLEW A FELLOW MUTROID!
HE WAS WEAK! ONLY THE STRONG SURVIVE!
A LEADER SLAYS NORMALS-- NOT HIS OWN KIND
YOU STILL HAVE MUCH TO LEARN.
BUT AIN'T NO WAY THAT YOU CAN TEACH ME--
--WHEN WE'RE ANKLE-DEEP IN YOUR BLOOD!

YOUR FIRST LESSON!
NEVER ANNOUNCE YOUR ATTACK--
--REGARDLESS OF YOUR STRENGTH!
TAKE THE ENEMY BY SURPRISE!
AS I DO NOW--WITH ONLY A WAVE OF MY STAFF!
PUT DOWN YOUR WEAPON!
OR I SHALL BE FORCED TO HUMILIATE YOU IN FRONT OF EVERYONE!
OH NO! YOU CAN'T TRICK ME!
YOU KNOW HOW MANY THIS AXE HAS KILLED?
HAVE ALL MY YEARS OF LEADERSHIP TAUGHT YOU NOTHING?
THERE IS A TIME TO STRIKE AND A TIME TO YIELD!
I WOULD GLADLY LET YOU TAKE COMMAND--IF YOU WERE WORTHY!
TIME HAS DEALT HARSHLY WITH ME, AND I AM WEARY.
BUT I MUST BEAR THE BURDEN OF LEADERSHIP--
--TILL THE LAST NORMAL HUMAN HAS BEEN SLAIN!

GET UP, STORMER!
I HATE TO SEE A MUTROID GROVEL! GET UP!
I-I CAN'T! THE PAIN! MY WHOLE BODY'S ON FIRE!
YOU SHOULD THANK ME FOR SUCH A... STINGING REMINDER! AND FOR NOT UNLEASHING MY FULL MUTROID POWER!
NOW CHOOSE! DEATH-- OR ETERNAL ALLEGIANCE TO ME!
I'LL SERVE YOU ALWAYS, DETHSTRYK!
WE MUST NOT FIGHT EACH OTHER! WE MUST SAVE OUR VENGEANCE, OUR FURY, OUR MIGHT-- FOR THE ACCURSED NORMALS!
OUR MOMENT IS NEARLY AT HAND! AND WHEN IT COMES--
--DETHSTRYK SHALL LEAD YOU TO OUR COMMON GOAL--
--THE EXTINCTION OF THE HUMAN RACE!

WHILE, HALF A WORLD AWAY...
HEY, LOOK AT THE OLD RUST-POT, WILLYA?
THAT UGLY RELIC MUST BE A HUNDRED YEARS OLD!
XXX LIVE NUDE REVIEW
PROBABLY DRIVIN' IT TO AN ANTIQUE CAR SHOW OR SOMETHIN'!
BUT IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE THE OL' HEAP'LL MAKE IT!
Stanley's FOLLIES
HOT HOLES
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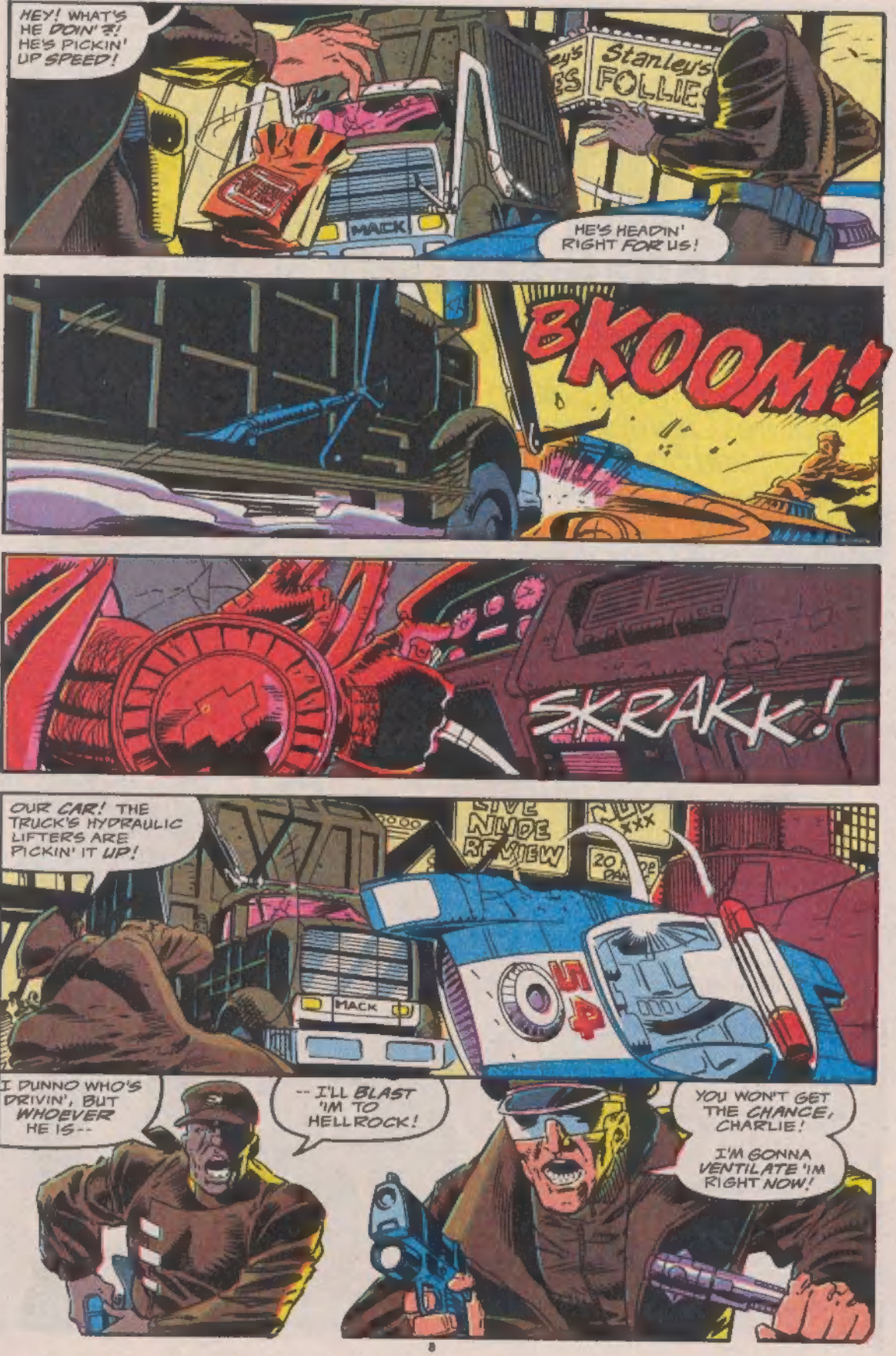
HEY! WHAT'S HE DOIN'?! HE'S PICKIN' UP SPEED!
Stanley's FOLLIES
MACK
HE'S HEADIN' RIGHT FOR US!
BKOOM!
SKRAKK!
OUR CAR! THE TRUCK'S HYDRAULIC LIFTERS ARE PICKIN' IT UP!
MACK
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I DUNNO WHO'S DRIVIN', BUT WHOEVER HE IS--
-- I'LL BLAST 'IM TO HELLROCK!
YOU WON'T GET THE CHANCE, CHARLIE!
I'M GONNA VENTILATE 'IM RIGHT NOW!

DROP THE IRONS!
IF Y'AIN'T CAREFUL YOU'LL SCRATCH MY TRUCK!
ONLY ONE MAN! SOME KINDA LUNATIC! AIN'T EVEN GOT A GUN!
I SEEN HIS PICTURE! I KNOW WHO HE IS!
THE NAME'S RAVAGE!
BUT A FAT LOTTA GOOD THAT'LL DO YA!
I WARNED YA NOT T'MESS WITH MY TRUCK!
Y'KNOW HOW TOUGH IT IS T'GET PARTS FOR A HEAP AS OLD AS THAT?!

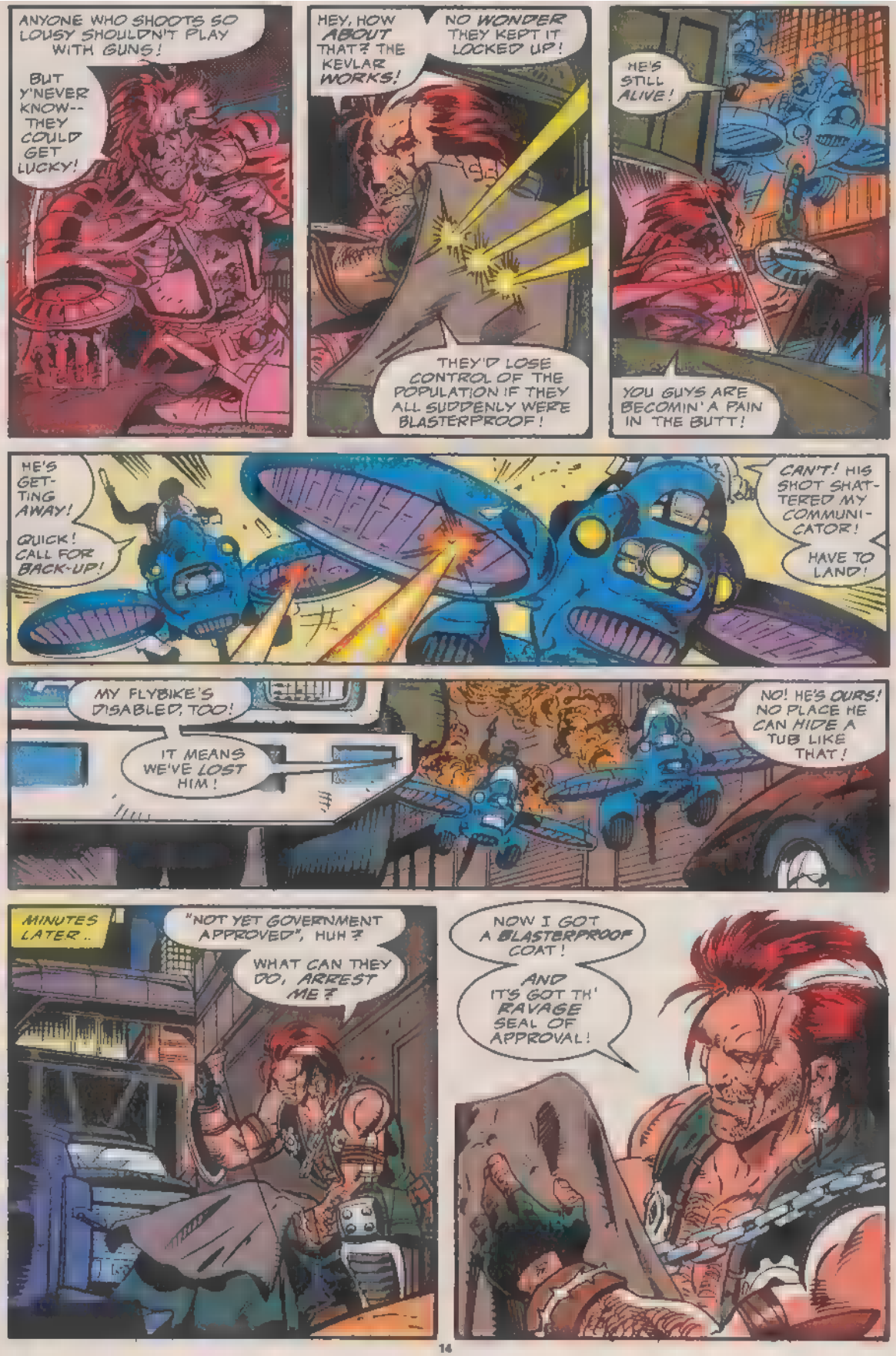
QUIT TRYIN' T'SHOOT ME WHEN I'M TALKIN' ATCHA!
IT AIN'T POLITE TO ACT HOSTILE!

THAT'S WHAT'S WRONG WITH THE WORLD TODAY--
NO ETIQUETTE!

DUNNO WHAT THAT MANIAC'S UP TO, BUT THIS IS WHERE IT ENDS!
WHAT IS IT WITH YOU?
YOU LIKE BEIN' BEAT ON?
SOME GUYS JUST NEVER KNOW--
--WHEN THE PARTY'S OVER!
FZNKK
ZZZZZT!
HOLD STILL WHILE I PICK THAT COG OUTTA YOUR ARM!
YOU SURE AS SHOCK AIN'T GONNA KEEP IT!
I HADDA RAID A DOZEN JUNK-YARDS T'FIND THE RIGHT SIZE!

CONSIDERIN' HOW ALCHEMAX TRIED TO GIMME THE SHAFT--
--THERE'S A POETIC JUSTICE ABOUT ME RAIDIN' THEM T'GET THE EQUIPMENT I WANT!
ALL MY WEAPONS, AMMO AND ARMOR--
--ARE WHATEVER I CAN HEIST FROM SOME ALCHEMAX SURPLUS WAREHOUSE --OR FROM ANY OF THEIR FLUNKIES!
JUST LIKE I USED TO BE BEFORE I WISED UP!
I GET SICK T'MY STOMACH JUST THINKIN' HOW I USED TO DEFEND THE COMPANY!
"TRUST ALCHEMAX! OBEY ALCHEMAX! ALCHEMAX KNOWS WHAT'S BEST FOR US!"
Lieber DISCOUNT Furniture
YEAH, SURE THEY DO!
HEY! I NEVER SAW THAT BEFORE!
ULTIMATE KEVLAR! MUST BE THE LATEST MODEL BLASTERPROOF CLOTH!
ULTIMATE KEVLAR!
FOR DISPLAY ONLY!!
NOT YET GOV'T. APPROVED
"NOT YET GOVERNMENT APPROVED," HUH?
I AIN'T WORRYIN' ABOUT ANYBODY'S APPROVAL... EVER AGAIN!
SCREECH!

EVERYONE'S GETTIN' SLOPPY NOWADAYS!
THEY DON'T MAKE STORE WINDOWS LIKE THEY USED TA!
ONE CRUMMY SAMPLE, THAT'S ALL THEY GOT!
IT'S THE PROTO-TYPE — THE ONE THEY'RE EXPERI-MENTIN' WITH!
WELL, THAT'S GOOD ENOUGH FOR ME!
DOWN BELOW--
A BREAK-IN!
COME OUT WITH YOUR HANDS UP!
OVER MY ROTTING CORPSE!
WE HOPED YOU'D SAY THAT!


ANYONE WHO SHOOTS SO LOUSY SHOULDN'T PLAY WITH GUNS!
BUT Y'NEVER KNOW-- THEY COULD GET LUCKY!
HEY, HOW ABOUT THAT? THE KEVLAR WORKS!
NO WONDER THEY KEPT IT LOCKED UP!
THEY'D LOSE CONTROL OF THE POPULATION IF THEY ALL SUDDENLY WERE BLASTERPROOF!
HE'S STILL ALIVE!
YOU GUYS ARE BECOMIN' A PAIN IN THE BUTT!
HE'S GET-TING AWAY!
QUICK! CALL FOR BACK-UP!
CAN'T! HIS SHOT SHAT-TERED MY COMMUNI-CATOR!
HAVE TO LAND!
MY FLYBIKE'S DISABLED, TOO!
IT MEANS WE'VE LOST HIM!
NO! HE'S OURS! NO PLACE HE CAN HIDE A TUB LIKE THAT!
MINUTES LATER..
"NOT YET GOVERNMENT APPROVED", HUH?
WHAT CAN THEY DO, ARREST ME?
NOW I GOT A BLASTERPROOF COAT!
AND IT'S GOT TH' RAVAGE SEAL OF APPROVAL!

BULLPEN BULLETINS

Hi, Heroes!

good's a Soapbox if it isn't you things you didn't know? I'll bet few of you that mighty Marvel's sensational company across the sea, Marvel Comics U.K. (U.K. standing for United Kingdom, of course) taken the once-staid British populace by storm with the creation of a pulse-pounding plethora of startling new super heroes, featured England's collection of costumed crusaders — now-legendary best-seller — OVERKILL!

But, few True Believers to fly to England each fortnight to pick up the latest editions, your big-hearted Bullpen has solved problem for you! We've arranged to ship most of Marvel U.K.'s titanic to your favorite comicbook America! No longer shall we underprivileged colonials be deprived of the mother country's harvest of heroes! And what a caravansary of cataclysmic characters they Just the briefest listing of their should give you an inkling of the wonderment in ...

Zooming to the U.S. at of '92 you'll meet DEATH'S HEAD II, MOTOR- & KILLPOWER, THE KNIGHTS OF PENDRAGON, DIGITEK, BATTLE-TIDE (the senses-staggering battle between Death's Head II and Killpower), WARHEADS, DARK ANGEL, TEAM HELIX, NIGHTRAVEN!

But that's only the beginning of Britain's super hero invasion! Early in '93 don't miss the way-out wonderment of MYSTECH WARS, DEATH RATTLE, SHADOW RIDERS, BLOOD SEED, GENE MACHINE, WILD THING, BLACK-AXE, SUPER SOLDIERS, GUN RUNNER, DEATH METAL, and the mind-blasting mystery of — PLASMER!

Perhaps the most spectacular surprise of all is the fact that the entire kaboodle of British meet, greet, and interact with your favorites from Marvel U.S.A.! So don't surprised to Wolverine and Sabretooth pop up Battletide's limited-series, or to find Warheads, Mephisto and the Silver Surfer sharing adventures! As always, the Marvel Universe is and inseparable, anything happening anywhere affects is ever-constant, ever-changing cosmos!

'Tis with happy heart cheerful mien that I bid adieu, buoyed by the knowledge that the incalculable power of this month's Soapbox has insured that thou shalt not miss triumphant entry of Marvel U.K.'s horde of heroes our grand and grateful shores!

Excelsior!

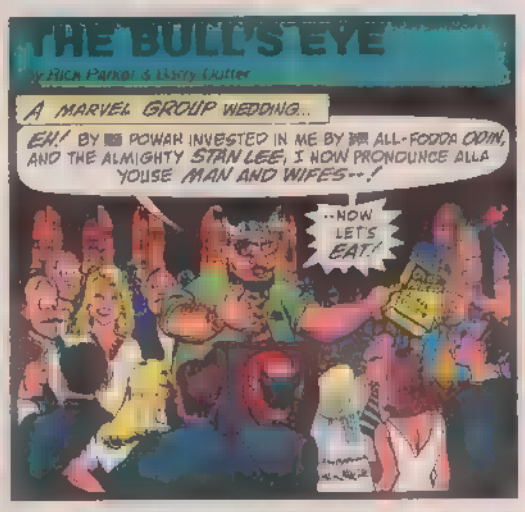
Stan

Stan Lee

Everybody's doin' it! No, we're not talking about hologram — we're talking about gettin' hitched. Takin' the plunge. Checkin' into the matrimonial institution. Doin' marriage thing.

Lately have been a rash of weddings among the editorial staff of Mighty Marvel — they've been popping up like zits on New Warrior. Following footsteps of Reed and Sue ... Peter and Mary Jane ... Dr. Octopus and Aunt May ... many of our mighty Marveloids have decided pursue lives of wedded bliss. Tieing the knot is a big commitment — it's like when Hercules quits his job solo hero and becomes an Avenger.

One editor who is solo longer is Associate Editor **Evan Skolnick**, who this past July said "I do" to his own British import, **Lynn White**, after a whirlwind three month courtship. In addition to his recent nuptials, Evan recently moted to Associate Editor of such titles of ORIGINAL GHOST and MARVEL YEAR IN REVIEW. Sounds like he'll have quite a year of his to


THE BULL'S EYE
by Rick Parker & Barry Dutter
A MARVEL GROUP WEDDING...
EH! BY POWAR INVESTED IN ME BY ALL-FODDA ODIN, AND THE ALMIGHTY STAN LEE, I NOW PRONOUNCE ALLA YOUSE MAN AND WIFES--!
--NOW LET'S EAT!

Evan's former boss, **Fabian Nicieza**, writer of NOMAD, last month gave his of wandering as he settled down and married his longtime sweetheart, **Tracey Lee**. It only took *twelve* Fabe to make that decision — that's one heck of a deadline! Fabe's brother, **Mariano**, of Promotions Department, threw a blowout bachelor party for fabulous Fabe, which featured a special mega-entertaining slideshow "The Lives and Time of Fabian." It attended by many of the brightest and best guys (no girls allowed, natch) in the business.

Fabian's NOMAD editor **Glenn "Helium" Herdling** seems to have found religion. Not only he writing PARAGON for our new religious comics line, but he also was made an honest man last month by his new bride, **Laura Eckhardt**. Glenn took his lady love up in a balloon, and popped the question — but not balloon, fortunately. Glenn's proposal first appeared in book form in WHAT IF #31. Glenn presented Laura with a copy of the comic while up in balloon, and she answered the affirmative quicker than Tom DeFalco approving a new Thor series.

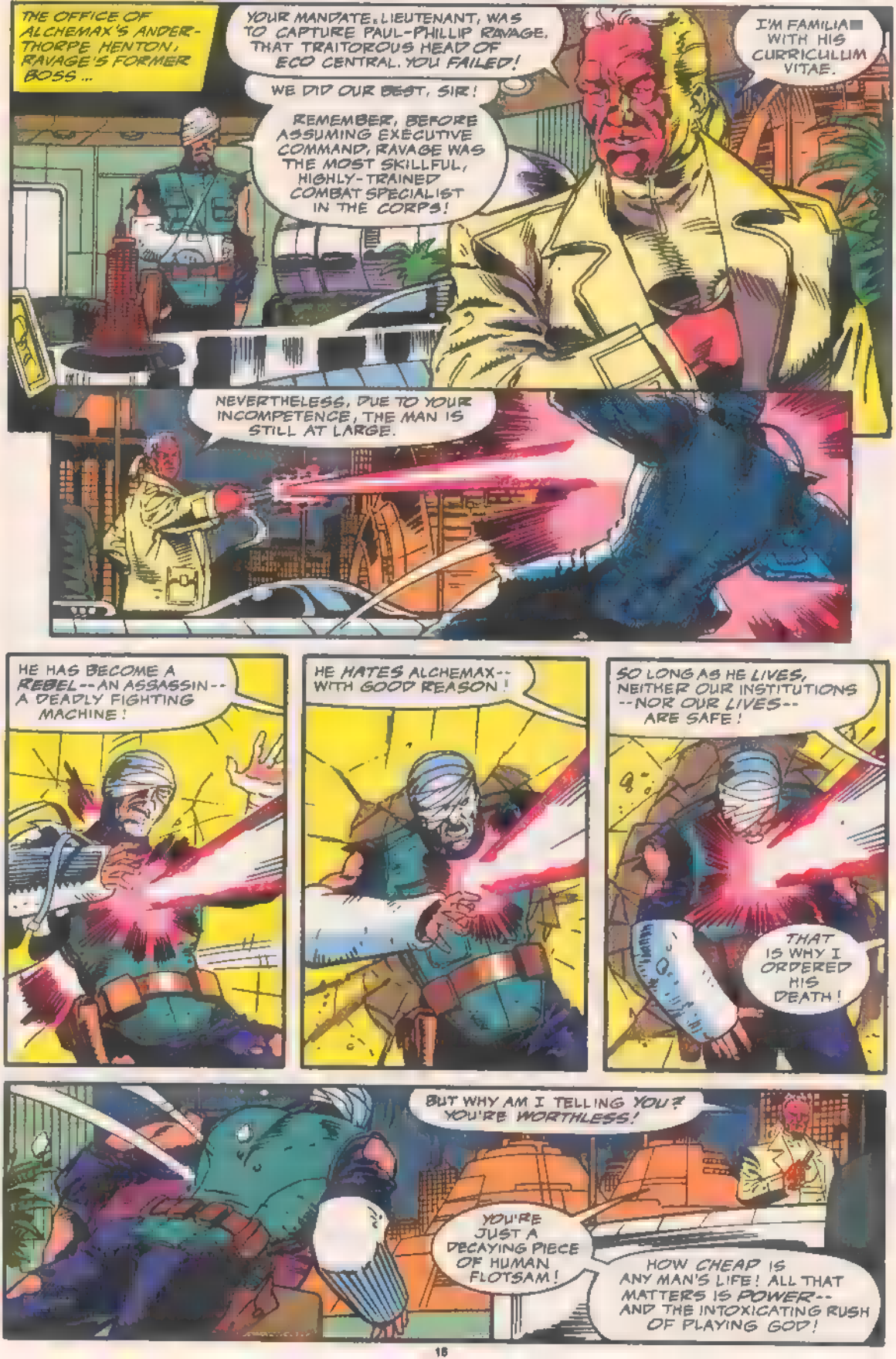
Still waiting for approval for that Quasar/Ren & Stimpy team-up is **Mark Gruenwald**, who also slipped the quantum band around the finger of his new bride, **Catherine Schuller**, month. Performing Mark's wedding was WOLVERINE writ- **Larry Hama**'s band, the K-Otics! Mark and Catherine's wedding song "One More Kiss," from the movie *Bladerunner*! (Now if only could make a *replicant* of Mark, we could get twice as much work out of him!)

Bullpen cartoonist **Rick Parker**, still basking in the of his best-selling book with **Barry Dutter**, *Everything I Really to Know I learned From Television*, also walked down the aisle last month with BARBIE writer **Lisa Trusiani** at ceremony in Falmouth, Maine. The reception included a good New England style clambake, and guests were treated to a cruise lovely Casco Bay. Unfortunately, the Love Boat's Captain Stubing unavailable to perform the wedding ceremony.

Sadly, Pin-Head of the Cenobites, doesn't do weddings, either. Pin-Head's boss, HELLRAISER editor **Marcus McLaurin**, used to seeing souls torn apart over in the pages of that mag. But MM will take part in the joining of two souls when he exchanges vows with his intended, **Janet Paes**, next May. Marcus proposed Janet Sky Ride at Disneyworld January. Surely wedding will be Epic event, though hopefully not harrowing one. (Or Barkering up the wrong tree?)

Finally, come to HULK editor **Bobbie Chase**, whose gamma-irradiated nuptials will be taking place next June. **Craig Kunaschk**, of Direct Sales Department, proposed to at the top of a mountain in St.Maartin while the two were on vacation. It is hoped that their union will bring Marvel's editorial and sales departments closer together, and bring even greater unity the Marvel family. Surely it won't long before Bobbie and Craig will have little Midnight Sons and Daughters of their running around all over the place.

Warmest wedding wishes to all our newlyweds! And remember the lesson learned by Spider-Man not long ago: With great weddings come great catering bills!


THE OFFICE OF ALCHEMAX'S ANDER-THORPE HENTON, RAVAGE'S FORMER BOSS ...
YOUR MANDATE, LIEUTENANT, WAS TO CAPTURE PAUL-PHILLIP RAVAGE, THAT TRAITOROUS HEAD OF ECO CENTRAL. YOU FAILED!
WE DID OUR BEST, SIR!
REMEMBER, BEFORE ASSUMING EXECUTIVE COMMAND, RAVAGE WAS THE MOST SKILLFUL, HIGHLY-TRAINED COMBAT SPECIALIST IN THE CORPS!
I'M FAMILIAR WITH HIS CURRICULUM VITAE.
NEVERTHELESS, DUE TO YOUR INCOMPETENCE, THE MAN IS STILL AT LARGE.
HE HAS BECOME A REBEL--AN ASSASSIN--A DEADLY FIGHTING MACHINE!
HE HATES ALCHEMAX--WITH GOOD REASON!
SO LONG AS HE LIVES, NEITHER OUR INSTITUTIONS --NOR OUR LIVES-- ARE SAFE!
THAT IS WHY I ORDERED HIS DEATH!
BUT WHY AM I TELLING YOU? YOU'RE WORTHLESS!
YOU'RE JUST A DECAYING PIECE OF HUMAN FLOTSAM!
HOW CHEAP IS ANY MAN'S LIFE! ALL THAT MATTERS IS POWER-- AND THE INTOXICATING RUSH OF PLAYING GOD!

MY LORD, I SENSE GRAVE DANGER ■ THE NEAR FUTURE-- DANGER TO YOU AND HELLROCK!
YOU ■■■ MISTAKEN, SEERESS! NOTHING THAT LIVES CAN THREATEN DETHSTRYK!
IS MY POWER NOT SUPREME?
IT IS, MY LORD.
IS IT NOT MY DESTINY TO TRANSFORM THE WORLD OUTSIDE OF HELLROCK?
RAVAGE! YOU WOULD HAVE ME FEAR A GUTLESS, PENCIL-PUSHING BUREAUCRAT?
NEVER, MY LORD!
BUT HE HAS CHANGED!
IT IS, MY LORD.
LOOK INTO MY EYES AND WITNESS THE TRANSFORMATION OF HIM WHO SHALL BE YOUR NEME-SIS!
"THE ARMCHAIR EXECUTIVE IS GONE FOREVER! HE HAS BECOME A RAGING ENGINE OF DESTRUCTION!"
BUT FATE HAS DEALT YOU A WILD CARD! HIS NAME IS RAVAGE!
THOUGH THE FINAL RESULT ■ CLOUDED, HIS FATE AND YOURS ARE INTERTWINED!
I'LL HEAR NO MORE!
USE YOUR POWER TO FIND HIM--
--JUST AS I'LL USE MINE--TO DESTROY HIM!

WITH HALF OF ALCHEMAX LOOKIN' FOR ME, I'M DEAD MEAT IF I CAN'T FIND A WAY TO HIDE THE TRUCK!
BUT HOW D'YA HIDE A FOUR-WHEELED CLUNKER THE SIZE OF A BEACHED WHALE?
LUCKY FOR ME I GOT THE ANSWER!
A SHARP STEEL SHEET, ATTACHED TO TH' HYDRAULIC LIFTERS--
--AND THE LONELIEST SPOT IN A DESERTED JUNK YARD.
I CAN DIG--
--AN UNDER-GROUND RAMP!
WITH THIS BABY'S POWER, IT WON'T TAKE LONG!
HEY! LOOK'A THAT!
JUST WHEN WE THOUGHT WE WERE ALL OUTTA VICTIMS!
DO WE TAKE THE TRUCK FIRST AN' THEN KILL 'IM?
OR SHOULD WE SAVE THE BEST FOR LAST?

MAN, THIS OL' SCOW MAY BE ANCIENT, BUT SHE'S SURE GOT POWER!
MACK
UH-OH! COMPANY'S COMIN'!
AND I DIDN'T EVEN BAKE A CAKE!
THE TRUCK! GET HIS TRUCK!
HE'S ALL ALONE! KILL 'IM!
AN' IF I WASN'T ALONE..
WHAT WOULDJA DO-- SLAP MY WRIST?
HEY! EASY WITH THAT BLASTER!
SCRATCH MY TRUCK WITH IT AN' I'LL MAKE YA EAT IT!
DIE, AIR-HEAD!
THIS IS ONE LOUSY WAY TO WELCOME A GUY TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD!

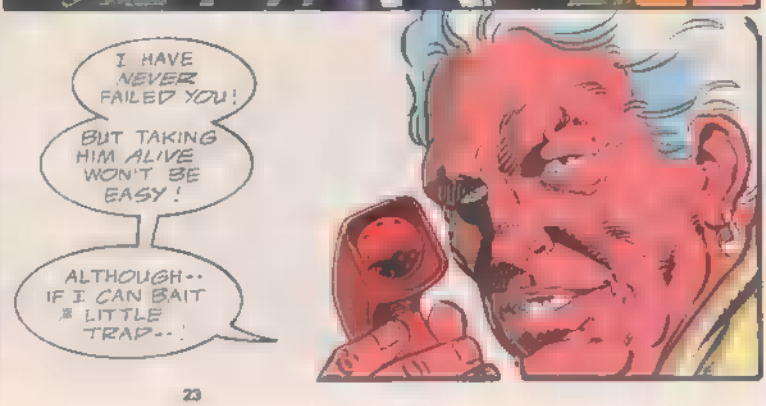
AIR-HEAD?
WHEN YA CALL ME THAT, CHARLIE--
SMILE!
'COURSE IT'S TOUGH T'SMILE WITH A BUSTED PAW!
HEY! A GUY CAN GET HURT WITH THAT 'LECTRO AXE!
AND IF YA DON'T BELIEVE ME--
HERE! SEE FOR YOURSELF!
LOOK! I'D LIKE T'STAY AND PLAY WITH YOU GUYS, BUT I GOT NO TIME!
I GOT A TRUCK TO BURY--
AND SPEAKIN' OF BURYING--
--IF YOU CREEPS HADDA KISS DIRT, YOU CAME TO THE RIGHT PLACE!

THE PUBLIC HAS NOTHING TO FEAR FROM MUTROIDS!
ALCHEMAX HAS THE SITUATION UNDER CONTROL!
BUT WHAT ABOUT THE MUTROID WHO RECENTLY ESCAPED FROM HELLROCK?
HE WAS DESTROYED WITHIN MINUTES! THE THREAT IS ENDED!

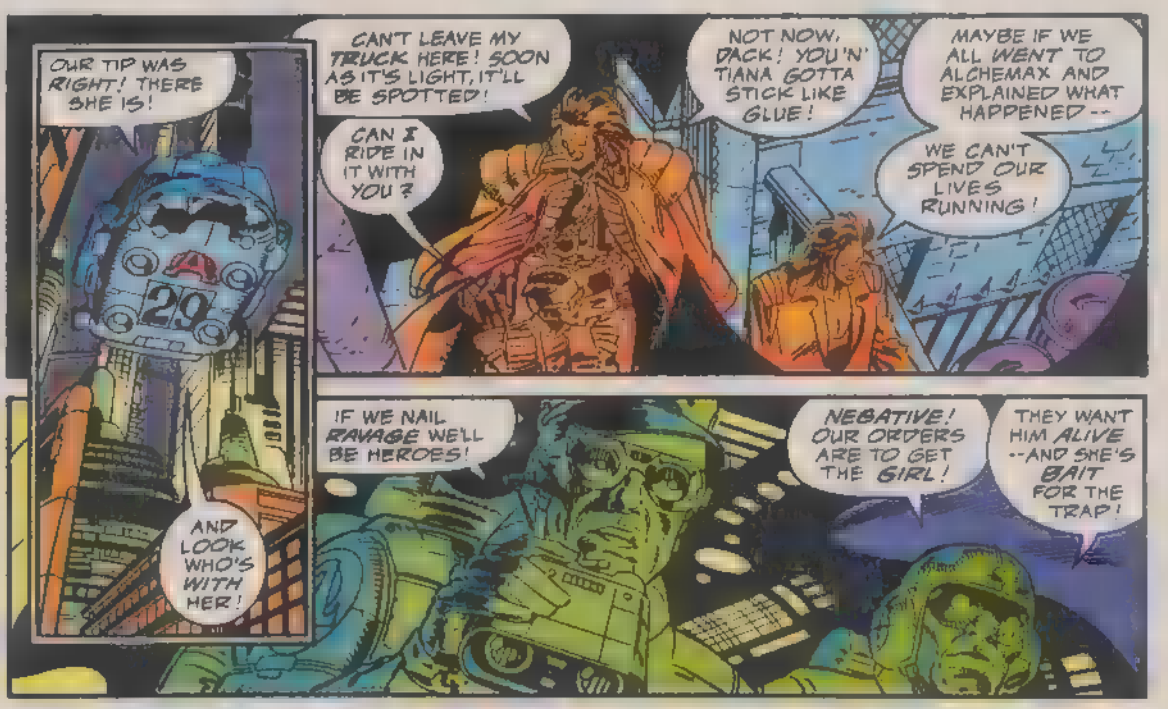
AND SO IS THE INTERVIEW! THANK YOU FOR COMING!
THE RED PHONE IS BLINKING! I HAD TO GET THEM OUT SO I CAN ANSWER IT!

YOU MAY SPEAK. THE CIRCUIT IS SECURE!
RAVAGE LIVES! BUT HE'S TOO DANGEROUS TO REMAIN AT LARGE!

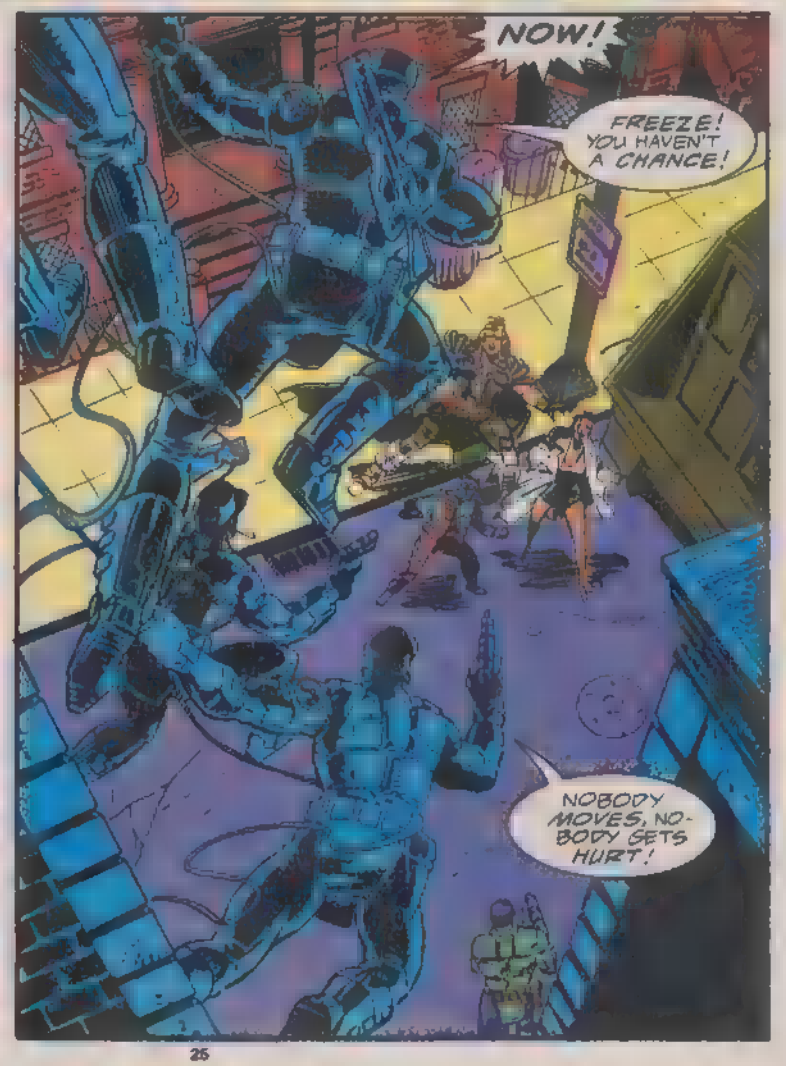
THE SEERESS HAS USED HER POWER TO LOCATE HIM!
CAPTURE HIM! I WANT HIM ALIVE!
DO NOT FAIL ME!


I HAVE NEVER FAILED YOU!
BUT TAKING HIM ALIVE WON'T BE EASY!
ALTHOUGH... IF I CAN BAIT A LITTLE TRAP...!

I DON'T CARE WHAT YOU SAY! I CAN'T TAKE BEING COOPED UP HERE ANY LONGER!
I MIGHT AS WELL BE IN JAIL!
DON'T [redacted] A FOOL, TIANA! IF HENTON FINDS YOU, YOU'LL WISH YOU WERE SAFE IN JAIL!
WOW! YOU SEWED KEVLAR INSIDE YOUR COAT!
LOOK! I TOOK A CHANCE BRINGIN' MY TRUCK OUT TONIGHT JUST T'CHECK ON YOU--
SO DON'T GIMME A HARD TIME HEAR?
WE WERE ONCE AN ITEM, RAVAGE-- BUT THINGS HAVE CHANGED!
I'M ME AND YOU'RE YOU-- AND YOU ARE NOT MY KEEPER!
I WON'T LIVE IN FEAR THE REST OF MY LIFE!
AND SHE'S GOT ME TO PROTECT HER!
THEY'LL FIND YOU OUT THERE, TIANA!
AND IF THEY DO--
I'M A BIG GIRL NOW-- OR HAVEN'T YOU NOTICED?
AWRIGHT! AWRIGHT! IF I CAN'T STOP YOU, GO AHEAD!
BUT YOU TWO AIN'T GOIN' ALONE!
WHAT GOOD'LL YOU DO?
RAMBO XX
ALL OF ALCHEMAX IS AFTER YOU!


OUR TIP WAS RIGHT! THERE SHE IS!
AND LOOK WHO'S WITH HER!
CAN'T LEAVE MY TRUCK HERE! SOON AS IT'S LIGHT, IT'LL BE SPOTTED!
CAN I RIDE IN IT WITH YOU?
NOT NOW, DACK! YOU'N' TIANA GOTTA STICK LIKE GLUE!
MAYBE IF WE ALL WENT TO ALCHEMAX AND EXPLAINED WHAT HAPPENED--
WE CAN'T SPEND OUR LIVES RUNNING!
IF WE NAIL RAVAGE WE'LL BE HEROES!
NEGATIVE! OUR ORDERS ARE TO GET THE GIRL!
THEY WANT HIM ALIVE --AND SHE'S BAIT FOR THE TRAP!

AT MY SIGNAL!


NOW!
FREEZE! YOU HAVEN'T A CHANCE!
NOBODY MOVES, NOBODY GETS HURT!

DON'T JUS' STAND THERE, WOMAN! GRAB THE KID AND RUN!
I'LL HOLD 'EM OFF AS LONG AS I CAN!
FORGET IT! YOU'LL NEED ALL THE HELP YOU CAN GET!
AT LEAST GET IN THE TRUCK! IT'LL GIVE YOU COVER!
WHY DON'TCHA ANSWER ME?
WHERE IN BLAZES ARE YOU?
I'M TOO BUSY FOR A MEANINGFUL CONVERSATION RIGHT NOW!
YOU ONCE TAUGHT ME THESE MOVES IN CLASS, REMEMBER?
I'M JUST GETTING MY MONEY'S WORTH!
OH, MAN! ONE OF 'EM DROPPED HIS BLASTER!
HERE'S WHERE OL' DACK MAKES LIKE A HERO!
HINDERING AN ALCHEMAX MISSION IS A CAPITAL OFFENSE!
UNNNHH!

DACK! HE SHOT DACK!
BIG MIS-TAKE!
HANG IN THERE, KID! WE'LL GET YA OUT OF THIS!
IF WE WAIT ANY LONGER HE'LL ANNIHILATE THE WHOLE CORPS!
ACTIVATE RETRIEVAL BEAM!
WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ME?
I-I CAN'T MOVE!
TIANA!

I'LL COME AFTER YOU!
NO MATTER WHERE -- NO MATTER HOW --
I'LL FIND YOU, TIANA! I SWEAR IT!
YOU ARE A PRISONER OF ALCHEMAX! AS SUCH, YOU FORFEIT ALL RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES!
PUT ON THIS GARMENT!
WHY? WHAT IS IT?
AN ANTI-RADIATION SUIT!
ANTI-RADIATION?! THERE'S ONLY ONE PLACE THEY WEAR SUCH THINGS!
RIGHT! AND THAT'S WHERE YOU'RE GOING!
HELLROCK!
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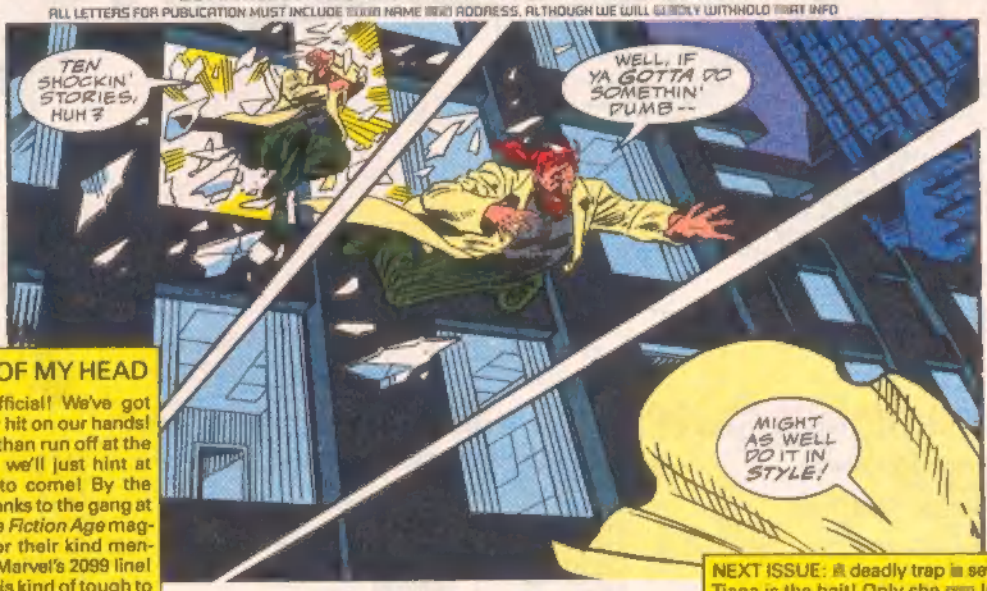

OUT OF MY HEAD

It's official! We've got another hit on our hands! Rather than run off at the mouth, we'll just hint at what's to come! By the way, thanks to the gang at *Science Fiction Age* magazine for their kind mention of Marvel's 2099 line! *SF Age* is kind of tough to find, so if you don't see it on your newsstand, get morally indignant.

Meet you at the "next issue" box. Don't forget to write!

NEXT ISSUE: A deadly trap is set. . .and Tiana is the bait! Only she can lure our hero, the Man Without Mercy, to the homeland and headquarters of the maleficent Mutroids! But can Ravage force that trap to swing on Deathstryk instead? Experience the "Horror in Hellrock" firsthand!

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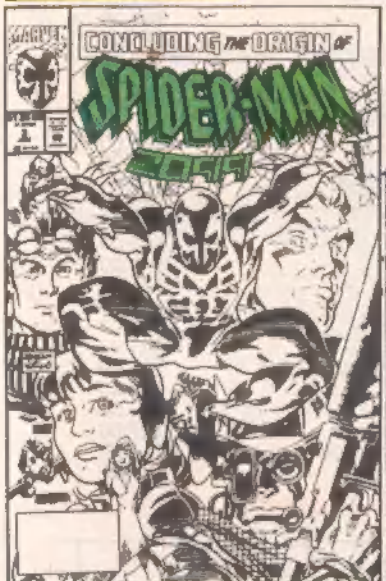

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